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AUTOMOBILE AND TRACTOR INDUSTRY TO INCREASE OUTPUT IN 1949

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The manufacture of parts for tractors is to be 14 percent higher than in 1948 and 37 percent over the prewar level.

Improving the quality of all types of automotive products is one of the major tasks facing the industry. Automobiles, tractors, motorcycles, and bicycles, are especially in need of improvement.

Labor productivity is to be 15-17 percent higher in 1949 than in 1948. To this end, labor conditions will be improved, labor-consuming and hand methods will be mechanized, work places will be properly organized, and technically sound norms of work which can be fulfilled by the mass of the workers will be introduced.

According to the 1949 plan, the cost of production will be significantly lower than in 1948, particularly in the production of the ZIS-150, GAS-51, the Pobeda, Moskvich and the SKITZ-NATI tractor.

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